

Thursday, March 5, 1998

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S1371–S1480*

**Measures Introduced:** Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1711–1720, S. Con. Res. 80, and S. Res. 192. **Pages S1435–36**

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows:  
S. Res. 171, designating March 25, 1998, as “Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy”.

S. 1379, to amend section 552 of title 5, United States Code, and the National Security Act of 1947 to require disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act regarding certain persons, disclose Nazi war criminal records without impairing any investigation or prosecution conducted by the Department of Justice or certain intelligence matters, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1435**

**Measures Passed:** U.S./Mongolia Friendship: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 60, expressing the sense of the Congress in support of efforts to foster friendship and cooperation between the United States and Mongolia. **Page S1480**

**ISTEA Authorization:** Senate resumed consideration of S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S1371–81, S1386–S1434**

Adopted:

Chafee Amendment No. 1684 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for the distribution of additional funds for the Federal-aid highway program. **Pages S1387–90**

By 52 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 21), Dorgan Amendment No. 1697 (to Amendment No. 1676), to encourage States to enact laws that ban the sale of alcohol through drive-up or drive through sales window. **Pages S1375–81, S1386–87**

Domenici/Bingaman Modified Amendment No. 1387 (to Amendment No. 1676), to encourage the Secretary of Transportation to use the national laboratories in carrying out the research and technology program. **Pages S1377–78**

Domenici/Bingaman Modified Amendment No. 1393 (to Amendment No. 1676), to require the Secretary to maximize the involvement of Federal laboratories in carrying out the intelligent transportation system program. **Page S1378**

Domenici/Bingaman Amendment No. 1698 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide a definition of the term Federal laboratory. **Page S1378**

Bingaman/Domenici Amendment No. 1699 (to Amendment No. 1676), to clarify that Federal laboratories are eligible to receive grants or to enter into contracts, cooperative agreements, or other transactions. **Page S1386**

Bingaman/Domenici Amendment No. 1700 (to Amendment No. 1676), to clarify that information on transportation-related research and development activities at Federal laboratories shall be included in the general exchange of information being promoted by the Secretary of Transportation. **Page S1386**

Bingaman/Domenici Amendment No. 1701 (to Amendment No. 1676), to clarify that innovative research performed by Federal laboratories shall be identified and applied to the intermodal and multimodal transportation research, development, and deployments needs of the Department of Transportation enterprise of the United States. **Page S1386**

Chafee/Wyden/Graham Amendment No. 1702 (to Amendment No. 1676), to further clarify the integrated decision making process for surface transportation projects. **Pages S1390–92**

Hutchinson Amendment No. 1703 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for the continuation of partnership agreements to promote the integration of surface transportation management systems. **Pages S1392–93**

Abraham/Levin Amendment No. 1704 (to Amendment No. 1676), to make access to the Ambassador Bridge, Detroit, Michigan, eligible for funding. **Page S1393**

Chafee (for Inhofe) Amendment No. 1705 (to Amendment No. 1676), to improve the provisions relating to contracting for engineering and design services. **Page S1394**

Chafee (for Abraham/Levin) Amendment No. 1706 (to Amendment No. 1676), to allow funding under the surface transportation program for programs to reduce motor vehicle emissions caused by extreme cold start conditions. **Page S1394**

**Rejected:**

By 43 yeas to 56 nays, one responding present (Vote No. 22), Bingaman/Byrd Modified Amendment No. 1696 (to Amendment No. 1676), to encourage States to enact laws that ban the sale of alcohol through a drive-up or drive-through sales window. **Pages S1372–75, S1387**

**Pending:**

McConnell Amendment No. 1708 (to Amendment No. 1676), to require that Federal surface transportation funds be used to encourage development and outreach to emerging business enterprises, including those owned by minorities and women, and to prohibit discrimination and preferential treatment based on race, color, national origin, or sex, with respect to use of those funds, in compliance with the equal protection provisions of the fifth and 14th amendments to the Constitution. **Pages S1395–S1434**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and the pending amendment on Friday, March 6, 1998.

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**Messages From the House:**

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**Measures Referred:**

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**Executive Reports of Committees:**

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**Statements on Introduced Bills:**

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Amendments Submitted:**

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**Authority for Committees:**

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**Additional Statements:**

**Pages S1477–79**

**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total–22) **Pages S1386–87**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 6:55 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, March 6, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1480.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the impact of global climate change on United States agriculture and forests, focusing on an international agreement

reached in Kyoto, Japan in December 1997 to control greenhouse gas emissions (Kyoto Protocol), and the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for climate change programs, after receiving testimony from Senator Wyden; Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs; Richard Rominger, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture; Janet Yellen, Chair, Council of Economic Advisers; Dean R. Kleckner, Rudd, Iowa, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; Fred Krupp, Environmental Defense Fund, New York, New York; Mary Novak, WEFA, Inc., Burlington, Massachusetts; and Marty Strange, Randolph, Vermont, on behalf of the Center for Rural Affairs.

### APPROPRIATIONS—NOAA/SBA

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from D. James Baker, Under Secretary of Commerce for Atmosphere and Oceans/National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and Aida Alvarez, Administrator, Small Business Administration.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 10.

### APPROPRIATIONS—EDUCATION/CAMPUS SECURITY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Education, receiving testimony from Richard W. Riley, Secretary of Education.

Also, subcommittee concluded hearings to examine certain incidents of crime on college campuses and efforts to strengthen the campus crime reporting and disclosure provisions of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and the Campus Security Act of 1990, after receiving testimony from Senator Torricelli; David A. Longanecker, Assistant Secretary of Education for Postsecondary Education; Howard K. Clery, Jr., Security On Campus, Inc., King of Prussia, Pennsylvania; Jacob A. McKee, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Stanley O. Ikenberry, American Council on Education, and Delores Stafford, George Washington University, both of Washington, D.C.; Michele Goldfarb, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia; and Barbara R. Prentice, Centerville, Massachusetts.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 10.

**AIRLINE COMPETITION**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation and Related Agencies held hearings to examine certain barriers to competition in the United States domestic airline industry, receiving testimony from Patrick V. Murphy, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Aviation and International Affairs; John H. Anderson, Jr., Director, Transportation Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Paul S. Dempsey, University of Denver College of Law, Denver, Colorado, on behalf of Frontier Airlines, Inc.; Mark S. Kahan, Spirit Airlines, Inc., Eastpointe, Michigan; and Michael Boyd, Boyd Group, Evergreen, Colorado.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, April 2.

**APPROPRIATIONS—IRS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on the Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Internal Revenue Service, receiving testimony from Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 12.

**APPROPRIATIONS—FEMA/CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from James Lee Witt, Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency; and Harris Wofford, Chief Executive Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 12.

**INTERNATIONAL SECURITY**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the role of the Department of Defense in countering the transnational threats of the 21st century, including terrorism, narco-trafficking, and weapons of mass destruction, after receiving testimony from Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; Adm. Joseph W. Prueher, USN, Commander-in-Chief, United States Pacific Command; Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm, USMC, Commander-in-Chief, United States Southern Command; and Gen. Peter J. Schoomaker, USA, Commander-in-Chief, United States Special Operations Command.

**COMMERCIAL SPACE ACT**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Science, Technology and Space concluded hearings on S. 1473 and H.R. 1702, bills to encourage the development of a commercial space industry in the United States, after receiving testimony from Senators Allard and Graham; John Barker, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State/Bureau of Political-Military Affairs; Keith Calhoun-Senghor, Director, Office of Air and Space Commercialization, Technology Administration, Department of Commerce; Edward A. Frankle, General Counsel, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Gil I. Klinger, Acting Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Space; John Copple, Space Imaging, Thornton, Colorado; Michael S. Kelly, Kelly Space and Technology, San Bernardino, California; Robert Meuser, Kistler Aerospace, Kirkland, Washington; and F. Michael Swiek, United States Global Positioning System Industry Council, Washington, D.C.

**INTERIOR BUDGET**

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of the Interior, after receiving testimony from Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Committee met and approved a report of the committee on the special investigation of illegal or improper activities in connection with the 1996 Federal election campaign.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items: S. 1379, to require disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act regarding certain persons, and disclose Nazi war criminal records without impairing any investigation or prosecution conducted by the Department of Justice or certain intelligence matters, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. Res. 171, designating March 25, 1998, as "Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy"; and

The nominations of Sonia Sotomayor, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, Susan Graber, of Oregon, to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Sam A. Lindsey, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas, Hilda G. Tagle, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, Judith M. Barzilay, of New Jersey, and Delissa A. Ridgway, each to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade, and

Brian Scott Roy, to be a United States Marshal for the Western District of Kentucky.

## IMMIGRATION NATURALIZATION PROCESS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration concluded oversight hearings on activities of the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the Department of Justice, focusing on Federal efforts to improve the naturalization process of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, after receiving testimony from Stephen R. Colgate, Assistant Attorney General, Justice Management Division, Michael R. Bromwich, Inspector General, and Cedric Lee, Special Agent, Immigration and Naturalization Service (Honolulu, Hawaii), all of the Department of Justice; Gary M. Ahrens, KPMG Peat Marwick, Dayton, Ohio; and William Stan Hawthorne, Coopers & Lybrand, Chantilly, Virginia.

## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources:* Subcommittee on Children and Families concluded hearings to examine proposals to coordinate Federal and State efforts to establish increased programs to provide after school care for children, including S. 882, to improve academic and social outcomes for students by providing productive activities during after school hours, after receiving testimony from Senator Boxer; Georgia State Senator Mary Margaret Oliver, Atlanta; Mayor Thomas M. Menino, Boston, Massachusetts; Edward A. Flynn, Arlington County Chief of Police, Arlington, Virginia, on behalf of Fight Crime: Invest in Kids; James W. Horne, Jr., Bridgeport Youth Coalition and Bridgeport Board of Education, Bridgeport, Connecticut; Eric Yonnie and Sharon Jones, both of the Chinle Learning Center/Navajo Nation, Chinle, Arizona; Janet Frieling, School's Out Consortium/YWCA, Seattle, Washington; and Cynthia Kiefer, Nashville, Tennessee.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 70 public bills, H.R. 3337–3406; 1 private bill, H.R. 3407; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 235–237, and H. Res. 379–381, were introduced. Pages H902–04

**Reports Filed:** No reports were filed today.

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Calvert to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H853

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rabbi Toby H. Manewith of Washington, D.C. Page H853

**Wireless Privacy Enhancement Act:** The House passed H.R. 2369, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to strengthen and clarify prohibitions on electronic eavesdropping by a ye and nay vote of 414 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 38. Pages H858–63

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule. Page H863

Agreed to H. Res. 377, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a voice vote. Pages H857–58

**Child Support Performance and Incentive Act:** The House passed H.R. 3130, to provide for an alternative penalty procedure for States that fail to

meet Federal child support data processing requirements, to reform Federal incentive payments for effective child support performance, and to provide for a more flexible penalty procedure for States that violate interjurisdictional adoption requirements by a recorded vote of 414 yeas to 1 no, Roll No. 39. Agreed to amend the title. Pages H865–78

Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule; and Pages H877

Agreed to the Cardin amendment concerning aliens and permanent residents that denies visas and admission to the United States for nonpayment of child support; requires compliance with child support orders before completion of the naturalization process; authorizes immigration officers to serve legal process in child support cases; and authorizes the Attorney General and the Secretary of State to obtain information on child support payments. Pages H876–77

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of H.R. 3130, to make technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the action of the House. Page H878

H. Res. 378, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by a voice vote. Pages H864–65

**Senate Bill Returned:** Agreed to H. Res. 379, returning to the Senate, S. 104, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982. **Pages H878–79**

**Legislative Program:** The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of March 9. **Page H878**

**Meeting Hour—Monday, March 9:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 9. **Page H879**

**Meeting Hour—Tuesday, March 10:** Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, March 9, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, for Morning-Hour debate. **Page H879**

**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, March 11. **Page H879**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H863 and H877. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAMS**

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research held a hearing to review the implementation of the Environmental Quality Incentives Program. Testimony was heard from Craig Cox, Acting Deputy Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, USDA.

### **AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Departmental Administration, the Chief Financial Officer and the Chief Information Officer. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Pearlle Reed, former Acting Assistant Secretary, Administration; Sally Thompson, Chief Financial Officer; and Anne F. Reed, Chief Information Officer.

### **COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, held a hearing on the FBI and the Secretary of Commerce. Testimony was heard from Louis J. Freeh, Director, FBI, Department of Justice; and William M. Daley, Secretary of Commerce.

### **INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior continued appropriation hearings, with emphasis on Indian Programs. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Administration for Children and Families and the Administration on Aging. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Service; Clarie V. Broome, M.D., Acting Director, Center for Disease Control and Prevention; Jeanette C. Takamura, M.D., Assistant Secretary, Administration on Aging; Olivia A. Golden, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Administration for Children and Families.

### **MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on the Quality of Life and the Senior Enlisted from each Service. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Sgt. Maj. Robert E. Hall, USA; Master Chief Petty Officer John Hagan, USN; Sgt. Maj. Lewis Lee, USMC; and Chief Master Sergeant Eric W. Benken, USAF.

### **NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing on FY 1999 Air Force Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Air Force: F. Whitten Peters, Under Secretary and Gen. Michael E. Ryan, USAF, Chief of Staff.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to hold a hearing on FY 1999 Air Force Acquisition Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Air Force: Arthur L. Money, Assistant Secretary (Acquisition) and Lt. Gen. George K. Muellner, USAF, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary (Acquisition).

### **TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on the Coast Guard. Testimony was heard from Adm. Robert E. Kramek, USCG, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation.

**TREASURY-POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on Financial Management Services, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and the Mint. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Richard Gregg, Commissioner, Financial Management Service; Thomas A. Ferguson, Associate Director, Research and Development, Bureau of Engraving and Printing; and Phil Diehl, United States Mint.

**VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on Community Development Financial Institutions. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Treasury: Robert E. Rubin, Secretary; Ellen Lazar, Director, Community Financial Development Institutions Fund; and John D. Hawke, Jr., Under Secretary, Domestic Finance.

**INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND REFORM AND AUTHORIZATION ACT**

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Ordered reported amended H.R. 3114, International Monetary Fund Reform and Authorization Act of 1998.

**SUPERFUND REFORM ACT**

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on H.R. 3000, Superfund Reform Act. Testimony was heard from Carol M. Browner, Administrator, EPA; Craig O'Connor, General Counsel, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

**TOBACCO SETTLEMENT**

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on the Tobacco Settlement. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**STUDENT LOAN INTEREST RATES—DEVELOPING CONSENSUS**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning held a hearing on Developing a Consensus on Student Loan Interest Rates. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gordon and Kanjorski; David A. Longanecker, Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education; and Jonathan Gruber, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Analysis, Department of the Treasury.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Workforce Protections approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 2888, Sales Incentive Compensation Act; and H.R. 2327, Drive for Teen Employment Act.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3249, Federal Retirement Coverage Corrections Act; and H.R. 2883, Government Performance and Results Act Technical Amendments of 1997.

**OVERSIGHT—FEC**

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology held an oversight hearing on the Federal Election Commission. Testimony was heard from Representative White; the following officials of the FEC: Joan D. Aikens, Chairman; John C. Surina, Staff Director; and Lawrence M. Noble, General Counsel; and public witnesses.

**OVERSIGHT—HEPATITIS C**

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Subcommittee on Human Resources held an oversight hearing on Public Health 2000: Hepatitis C, the Silent Epidemic. Testimony was heard from David Satcher, M.D., Surgeon General of the United States, Department of Health and Human Services; John F. Mazzuchi, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Clinical and Program Policy, Department of Defense; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Thomas Holohan, M.D., Chief, Patient Care Services Officer; and Gary Roselle, Program Director, Infectious Diseases; and public witnesses.

**SMALL BUSINESS PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT**

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on H.R. 3310, Small Business Paperwork Reduction Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Jere Glover, Chief Counsel for Advocacy, SBA; and public witnesses.

**CAMPAIGN REFORM**

*Committee on House Oversight:* Continued hearings on Campaign Reform. Testimony was heard from Representatives Knollenberg, Cook, Rivers, Clement, Gekas, Gilchrest and Gejdenson.

**FOREIGN ASSISTANCE BUDGET REQUEST**

*Committee on International Relations:* Held a hearing on the Administration's Foreign Assistance Budget request for FY 1999. Testimony was heard from J. Brian Atwood, Administrator, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific approved for full Committee action amended the following resolutions: H. Res. 364, urging the introduction and passage of a resolution on the human rights situation in the People's Republic of China at the 54th Session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights; H. Res. 361, calling for free and impartial elections in Cambodia; and H. Con. Res. 218, concerning the urgent need to establish a cease fire in Afghanistan and begin the transition toward a broad-based multiethnic government that observes international norms of behavior.

**MULTILATERAL AGREEMENT ON INVESTMENT**

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, hearing on "Multilateral Agreement on Investment: Win, Lose or Draw for the U.S.?" Testimony was heard from Alan Larson, Assistant Secretary for Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State.

**CRISIS—GREAT LAKES**

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on International Operations and the Subcommittee on Africa held a joint hearing on the Ongoing Crisis in the Great Lakes. Testimony was heard from Howard Wolpe, Special Envoy, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

**OVERSIGHT—MASS TORTS AND CLASS ACTION LAWSUITS**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing regarding mass torts and class action lawsuits. Testimony was heard from Representative Moran of Virginia; Anthony J. Scirica, Judge, United States Circuit, U.S. Court of Appeals, 3rd Circuit; and public witnesses.

**NATURALIZATION REFORM ACT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held a hearing on H.R. 2837, Naturalization Reform Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Paul Virtue, General Counsel, Immigration and Naturalization Service; and James S. Angus,

Acting Executive Director, Office of Naturalization Operations; and public witnesses.

**NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION**

*Committee on National Security:* Continued hearings on the fiscal year 1999 National Defense authorization budget request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Gen. Wesley K. Clark, USA, Commander in Chief, U.S. European Command; and Gen. Anthony C. Zinni, USMC, Commander in Chief, U.S. Central Command.

Hearings continue March 12.

**NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION**

*Committee on National Security:* Subcommittee on Military Procurement and Subcommittee on Military Research and Development continued joint hearings on FY 1999 Department of Defense with emphasis on Army modernization. Testimony was heard from Kenneth J. Oscar, Acting Assistant Secretary, Research, Development and Acquisition, Department of the Army.

Hearings continue March 10.

**OVERSIGHT—ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT**

*Committee on Resources:* Held an oversight hearing on Endangered Species Act. Testimony was heard from Jamie Rappaport Clark, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and Rolland Schmitten, Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce.

**COMMUNITY PROTECTION AND HAZARDOUS FUELS REDUCTION ACT**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 2458, Community Protection and Hazardous Fuels Reduction Act of 1997.

**OVERSIGHT—ROAD FROM KYOTO; COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

*Committee on Science:* Continued oversight hearings on the Road From Kyoto—Part 3: State Department Overview. Testimony was heard from Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary, Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs, Department of State.

The committee also approved pending Committee business.

**AVIATION MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ACT**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 2843, Aviation Medical Assistance Act of 1997.

**FAA'S MODERNIZATION PROGRAMS**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on FAA's modernization programs. Testimony was heard from Gerald L. Dillingham, Associate Director, Transportation Issues, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Jane Garvey, Administrator, FAA; and Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General; and public witnesses.

**GSA BUDGET AND RELATED ISSUES**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development held a hearing on the GSA's FY 1999 budget and related issues. Testimony was heard from Jacob J. Lew, Deputy Director, OMB; Robert Peck, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, GSA; Judge Norman Stahl, Chairman, Security and Facilities Committee, U.S. Judicial Conference; J. Peter Basso, Acting Assistant Secretary, Budget and Programs, Department of Transportation; Bernard L. Ungar, Director, Government Business Operations Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Benefits approved for full Committee action the following bills; H.R. 3039, Veterans' Transitional Housing Opportunities Act of 1997; and H.R. 3211, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enact

into law eligibility requirements for burial at Arlington National Cemetery, H.R. 3213, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify enforcement of veterans' employment rights with respect to a State as an employer or a private employer, to extend veterans' employment and reemployment rights to members of the uniformed services employed abroad by United States companies.

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**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,  
MARCH 6, 1998**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

*Committee on Appropriations,* to hold hearings on proposed legislation making supplemental appropriations for Bosnia and Iraq, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* to hold hearings on civil liability provisions of S. 1530, to resolve ongoing tobacco litigation, to reform the civil justice system responsible for adjudicating tort claims against companies that manufacture tobacco products, and establish a national tobacco policy for the United States that will decrease youth tobacco use and reduce the marketing of tobacco products to young Americans (pending on Senate calendar), 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

**House**

No committee meetings are scheduled.



*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9:30 a.m., Friday, March 6

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

2 p.m., Monday, March 9

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Friday:** Senate will resume consideration of S. 1173, ISTEPA Authorization.

## House Chamber

**Program for Monday:** Pro Forma Session.

## Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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